

## Chemokine $\beta$ -6

### *Abstract*

Human chemokine  $\beta$ -6 agonist and antagonist polypeptides and DNA encoding such polypeptides and a procedure for producing such polypeptides by recombinant techniques are disclosed. The chemokine  $\beta$ -6 antagonists of the present invention may be employed to treat rheumatoid arthritis, lung inflammation, allergy, asthma, infectious diseases and to prevent inflammation and atherosclerosis. The chemokine  $\beta$ -6 agonists may be employed to myeloprotect patients undergoing chemotherapy.

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